

# Washington State Patrol Media Release

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### **Governor Locke Appoints New Fire Protection Policy Board Member**

Chief Ronal W. Serpas announced today that Governor Gary Locke has appointed Ms. Janet Paulson to represent the Insurance Industry on the Fire Protection Policy Board, a board established to provide leadership on statewide fire and emergency service issues in order to build local, regional, and state capability to protect the citizens and property of Washington.

Ms. Paulson, a 15-year member of the PEMCO Financial Services, brings a wealth of knowledge to the Board. Ms. Paulson has served as the Vice President of the Arson Alarm Foundation and is a current member of the Washington Insurance Council. She founded, and is president of, the Puget Sound Investigators and has worked with various law enforcement task forces on investigations of fraud.

*The Office of the State Fire Marshal is a Bureau of the Washington State Patrol, providing fire and life safety services to the citizens of Washington State, including inspections of state-licensed facilities, plan review of school construction projects, licensing of fire sprinkler contractors and pyrotechnic operators, training Washington State's firefighters, and collecting emergency response data. For additional information, you may visit our Web page at [www.wa.gov/wsp](http://www.wa.gov/wsp) and then click on State Fire Marshal.*

*For more information on the Fire Protection Policy Board, contact the Office of the State Fire Marshal at (360) 753-0400 or visit our Web site.*

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